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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ) CR No.: 06-0645 WHA  
Plaintiff, )  
v. )  
GONZALO LOPEZ-HERNANDEZ, )  
Defendant. )

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On October 31, 2006, the parties in this case appeared before the Court and stipulated that time should be excluded from the Speedy Trial Act calculations from October 31, 2006 to November 14, 2006 for effective preparation of counsel, in that defense counsel required adequate time to assess and discuss with Defendant Gonzalo Lopez-Hernandez additional information relevant to whether there will be a change of plea in this case. The parties represented that granting the continuance was the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation of both defense counsel and the United States, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv). The parties also agreed that the ends of justice

1 served by granting such a continuance outweighed the best interests of the public and the  
2 defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

3 SO STIPULATED:

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6 DATED: 10/31/06

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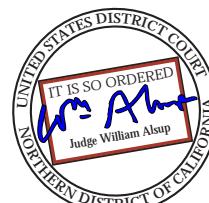
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12 Lopez-Hernandez

13 As the Court found on October 31, 2006, and for the reasons stated above, the Court finds  
14 that the ends of justice served by the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the  
15 defendant in a speedy trial and that time should be excluded from the Speedy Trial Act  
16 calculations from October 31, 2006 to November 14, 2006 for effective preparation of defense  
17 counsel and the United States. See 18 U.S.C. §3161 (h)(8)(A). The failure to grant the requested  
18 continuance would deny counsel reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into  
19 account the exercise of due diligence, and would result in a miscarriage of justice. See 18 U.S.C.  
20 §3161(h)(8)(B)(iv).

21 SO ORDERED.

22 DATED: November 6, 2006



23 William H. Alsup  
24 United States District Judge